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Kim Youn Kyung:

Finally, Volume 28 has arrived!
Your patience is finally rewarded dear readers!! (For you, it must've been a really long time, wasn't it? ;)
Working on Volume 28 gave me many difficulties, but as long as you're happy, I'm also happy!!!

Son Hee Joon:

In my experience, online games that are no longer successful tend to disappear, or become freestanding games without any further updates. But I have to mention that such a situation leaves me with a frustrated feeling of failure. This is why "Last Memories" was designed, in order to wrap up the adventures of "Lost Saga".

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The Great Mountain

HMM?

HEY, WHAT'S THAT?

LOOK! THERE'S SOMETHING WEIRD OVER THERE!

AND WHAT IS IT?

I CAN'T SEE IT VERY CLEARY, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE A MOUNTAIN, IN THE FORM OF A CUBE!

LOOK, SOMETHING LIKE THAT DOESN'T EXIST!

I AGREE... I ALSO DON'T THINK IT SHOULD BE THAT SMALL!

AH... NOW I CAN SEE IT A LITTLE BIT BETTER.

IN FRONT OF YOU STANDS *'GREAT MOUNTAIN'*, THE HIGHEST MOUNTAIN IN ALL OF LUCYPHERIA!

I CAN ALSO TELL YOU WHY IT LOOKS SO SMALL.

IT'S BECAUSE THE WATER SURFACE HAS RISEN A LOT!

LOOK AT THIS... ALL THE BOATS ARE HEADING TOWARDS THE MOUNTAIN.

THERE ARE LOTS OF SURVIVORS AFTER ALL!

THE SUMMIT IS STILL VERY HIGH UP. DO WE NEED TO WAIT FOR THE SEA TO RISE EVEN MORE?

DON'T TELL ME YOU'VE NEVER VISITED *'GREAT MOUNTAIN'*? WELL... CONSIDERING YOU'RE JUST A COUNTRY BUMPKIN WHO NEVER LEFT THE DRAGONLANDS...

YOU WANT A SPECTACULAR BEATING FROM THIS COUNTRY BUMPKIN?

TO BE MORE EXACT, *'GREAT MOUNTAIN'* IS CLOSER TO A DUNGEON WITH THE SIZE OF A MOUNTAIN, RATHER THAN BEING A NORMAL MOUNTAIN.

YOU CAN ACCESS IT THROUGH AN ENTRANCE AT THE LOWEST LEVEL AFTERWARDS, YOU HAVE TO NAVIGATE THROUGH A LABYRINTH, TO ASCEND JUST BELOW THE SUMMIT. AND IT'S NOT UNCOMMON FOR A PATH TO GO OUTSIDE AND FOLLOW THE OUTER WALLS!

SO, A MAGE WITH *'LEVITATION'* OR A BEAST-MASTER ON HIS GRIFFON COULD FLY STRAIGHT TO THE MIDDLE LEVEL AND START THERE. MASTER-LEVEL WITCHES COULD DO THAT TOO...

THANKS TO THAT, OUR HUNTING GOT VERY EASY AT TIMES!

BUT THAT'S CHEATING!

SO IF I UNDERSTAND CORRECTLY, THERE'S A WAY TO REACH THE SUMMIT WITHOUT WAITING FOR THE WATER TO RISE?

[TL-Note: She means 'talking privately' Boromir obviously thinks it's something else ...]

PERFECT! FOLLOW ME, YOU TWERP! WE NEED TO HAVE A FACE-TO-FACE!

WAIT.. WHAT ABOUT ME? CAN I HAVE A FACE-TO-FACE TOO?!

YOU'RE STARTING TO SERIOUSLY GET ON MY NERVES! MY PATIENCE HAS IT'S LIMITS...

AS IT HAPPENS, THERE IS AN ENTRANCE NEARBY.

THIS CAVE LOOKS *ENORMOUS!* WHAT DO YOU THINK, WHICH LEVEL DOES IT LOOK LIKE?

THE ENTRANCE LOOKS SOMEWHAT FAMILIAR. I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE LEVEL, BUT I'D GUESS WE'RE 1/3RD UP THE MOUNTAIN.

ALLEY OOP!

TAP!

LET'S START BY FINDING A GOOD-ENOUGH SPACE!

SHUT UP! YOU THINK I'M SCARED?!

A GOOD-ENOUGH SPACE?! AN INTIMATE SPOT?! WHAT'RE YOU PLANNING TO DO?!

I WANT TO GO, TOO!!

STOP YOUR WHINING! DO WHATEVER YOU WANT, NOBODY IS STOPPING YOU FROM FOLLOWING US!!

LISTEN AH-DOL. I WOULD LIKE YOU TO WAIT FOR US HERE.

WAAHHH

THAT WAS MY INTENTION FROM THE BEGINNING, BUT WHY?

I'M WORRIED ABOUT YUREKA... IT WOULD BE GREAT IF YOU COULD BRING HER ALONG, IF YOU HAPPEN TO SEE HER...

...

DON'T WORRY! GO, I'LL SEE YOU LATER...

HUM

STOP ORDERING ME AROUND! AND DON'T RUSH ME!!

WA...WAIT FOR ME!!

HURRY UP, DAMMIT! IT'S DARK IN THERE, I WANT A LIGHT!!

IT'S NOT NORMAL TO HAVE THIS MUCH VEGE-TAT.ON IN THE .NTERIOR OF A CAVE!

IS THIS PLACE SWARMING WITH MONSTERS? I HOPE THEY WON'T BOTHER US DURING THE BATTLE...

WE'RE IN THE NEST OF THE OPHIDIANS*! WE'LL HAVE A HARD TIME SHAKING THEM OFF BECAUSE THEY CAN MOVE AROUND VERY QUICKLY.

AND WHAT'S AT THE TOP OF THIS DUNGEON? NORMALLY YOU FIND A BOSS OR SOMETHING...

WE MUST ELIMINATE ALL THE MONSTERS ONE AFTER ANOTHER TO REACH THE TOP!

LIGHT.

REALLY? THEN WHERE DO WE FIGHT?

[*TL-Note: Ophidian = snake, or "belonging to the snake family"]

OF COURSE THERE IS ONE... AND IT'S SAID TO BE AS POWERFUL AS A DRAGON...

WHA...WHAT? DO WE FIGHT SOMETHING LIKE THAT? I DON'T WANNA END UP IN THE STOMACH OF A BOSS!

HEHE... WE CAN ALWAYS TURN AROUND IF YOU GOT THE JITTERS...

THERE'S NO DANGER AT THE MOMENT! WE NEED TO ELIMINATE SIX MIDBOSSES* BEFORE HE SHOWS UP...

PHEW... IS THAT HOW IT IS?

DON'T YOU EVER KNOW WHEN TO SHUT UP?!

[ED-Note: Midboss = a boss smaller and usually weaker than the main boss in the area or level]

ENOUGH TALKING! WE GOT SOME WORK AHEAD OF US!

AND ALL OF A SUDDEN HE'S IN A HURRY...

WE NEED TO MOVE FAST, BECAUSE THE WATER OUTSIDE IS STILL RISING!!

DON'T BOTHER WITH HIM! JUST COUNT ON ME...

GET YOURSELF READY, BOROMIR! WE'LL ENCOUNTER A MIDBOSS ON THE WAY, SO HELP US OUT!

HEY! YOU SAID THAT THE BOSS COMES OUT IF ALL THE MID-BOSSES ARE GONE!

DID YOU LISTEN AT ALL?! THE FINAL BOSS ONLY APPEARS WHEN ALL SIX MIDBOSSES ARE KILLED! KILLING ONE OR TWO IS FINE!!

ALRIGHT, YOU *MIDGET*...YOU DON'T HAVE TO GET MAD!

I ALREADY TOLD YOU NOT CALL ME THAT!!

KLONK

SCHNK

KLONK

TOC

TOC

BE CAREFUL... WE MIGHT BE ATTACKED ANY MOMENT NOW...

I GET THE IMPRESSION YOU'VE BEEN HERE OFTEN...

THIS DUNGEON IS VERY POPULAR WITH CLASSES THAT ARE ABLE TO FLY.

WHY DO WE HAVE TO BOTHER WITH THIS? IT WOULD HAVE BEEN EASIER TO WAIT FOR THE WATER TO RISE EVEN FURTHER...

WE WERE EXCEEDING THE BOAT'S CAPACITY, AND IT WAS JUST TOO CRAMPED...

AND MY GUT TELLS ME THAT THE REAL FIGHT ISN'T OVER YET—

WE'LL HAVE TO FIGHT AT LEAST ONE MIDBOSS AT THE END OF THIS WAY, SO I'M COUNTING ON YOU!

BUT THAT'S CRAZY! WON'T THE FINAL BOSS COME OUT, THEN?!

RELAX! WE HAVE TO KILL ALL THE SIX MID-BOSSES TO EARN THAT HONOR... AND THAT'S NOT EASY.

BECAUSE EVERY SINGLE MIDBOSS OF *'GREAT MOUNTAIN'* IS AS STRONG AS THE FINAL BOSS IN AN ORDINARY DUNGEON...

I REALLY HOPE YOU CAN MAKE YOURSELF USEFUL HIS TIME! EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE TWO MASTER-LEVEL PLAYERS, WE NEED EVERY HELP WE CAN GET.

I'M DOING ALL I CAN, OK?! WHY DO YOU ALWAYS PICK ON ME?!

WHAT'S THE FINAL BOSS LIKE?

BUT ACCORDING TO THE PLAYERS WHO MANAGED TO SUMMON IT...

HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO KNOW? I'VE NEVER SEEN IT MYSELF...

...IT'S AN *'IMUG!'*

A... AN IMUGI"? YOU MEAN A GIANT SNAKE WHO'S ABOUT TO EVOLVE INTO A FULL -FLEDGED DRAGON?

NOT REALLY SURPRISING, IF YOU THINK ABOUT THE PHYSIOLOGY OF OPHIDIANS!

IN MY OPINION, THE FINAL BOSS IS AN LARGER-THAN-AVERAGE OPHIDIAN, WHOSE HEAD VAGUELY RESEMBLES THAT OF AN IMUGI.

OR MAYBE IT'S A REFERENCE TO IT'S STRENGTH... IT IS SAID THAT THE GUILD, WHO MANAGED TO DEFEAT THE BLACK DRAGON, WAS UTTERLY DESTROYED BY THE FINAL BOSS, THUS EARNING ITSELF THE NAME OF *'IMUGI'*...

WOW... A DRAGON THAT'S STRONGER THAN THE BLACK DRAGON... NOW THAT'S AN IMUGI WITH A PROMISING FUTURE!

IF THIS MONSTER WERE TO APPEAR NOW, IT WOULD MEAN CERTAIN DEATH FOR ALL THE FLOOD REFUGEES!

AS IF THAT COULD HAPPEN! NOBODY BESIDES US WOULD BE CRAZY ENOUGH TO CHAL-LENGE THE MID-BOSSES, JUST TO REACH THE SUMMIT.

WHO KNOWS? THE WORLD IS FULL OF SURPRISES...

[TL-Note: 'mugi' - According to what I know about Korean mythology, it's a powerful, gigantic snake which has been deemed worthy to evolve into a dragon. To finish the transformation, it needs an 'Yeoiju' which falls from the heaven.]

TCHAC

FLASH

HISSSSSSSSSS!!

BAM

THIS SKILL ISN'T BAD AT ALL... IT'S THE BEST OUT OF ALL THE SKILLS I'VE ACQUIRED SO FAR...

INDEED, YOU REALLY ARE NO ORDINARY CHARACTER...

CERTAINLY, YOU FULFILL ALL THE CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO USE THIS SKILL...

BUT IN YOUR CASE IT WOULD BE MORE APPROPRIATE TO SAY YOU 'ABSORBED' IT, INSTEAD OF 'LEARNED' IT...

ACTUALLY, THAT EXPRESSION ISN'T THAT FAR OFF...

THAT REMINDS ME, I USED TO READ A MARTIAL ARTS NOVEL ABOUT AN EXTRAORDINARY TECHNIQUE, WHICH ABSORBS THE ENEMIES' SKILLS OR POWERS...

IT WOULD USUALLY BE USED BY A WICKED VILLAIN, BUT I REALLY LIKED IT.

BESIDES, IT'S REALLY PRACTICAL. YOU CAN EFFORTLESSLY OBTAIN KNOWLEDGE OTHERS WORKED VERY HARD TO OBTAIN!

SIMPLY SPEAKING, HE JUST LIKES TO TAKE THE EASY ROAD!

I thought only old geezers read that kind of literature.

THAT REMINDS ME. .

I LEFT YOU ALONE, BECAUSE YOU ALREADY FOUGHT AGAINST SLAYAN... BUT WHY DO YOU KEEP ON FOLLOWING ME?

... /

IT IS VERY OBVIOUS TO ME THAT I'M NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO AVENGE MY PARTNER...

BUT ON THE OTHER HAND, IT WOULD BE COWARDLY OF ME TO RUN AWAY NOW...

I SEE... SO YOU WOULD RATHER MEET THE SAME END AS YOUR PARTNER, RIGHT? I DON'T AVOID A FIGHT THAT SOMEONE STARTS, SO GO AHEAD AND ATTACK ME.

I... I ALREADY KNOW I CAN'T WIN, SO THAT WOULD BE...

OH?

I THINK I'M BEGINNING TO GRASP YOUR PERSONALITY..

THE TRUTH IS, YOU'RE UNABLE TO MAKE ANY DECISION ON YOUR OWN WITHOUT THE HELP OF YOUR PARTNER! YOU ALWAYS NEED SOMEONE TO TELL YOU WHAT TO DO.

OF COURSE, THAT'S A COMFORTABLE LIFE, LETTING OTHERS DECIDE FOR YOU!

AT FIRST GLANCE IT SEEMS LIKE YOU RESPECT THE OPINIONS OF OTHERS, BUT THAT'S NOT IT, AT ALL...

YOU'RE WRONG! JULIE AND I AREN'T LIKE THAT...

THEN WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR? THOUGH IT'S TO AVENGE YOUR PARTNER, OUR FIGHT WOULDN'T LAST VERY LONG. .

...BUT AT LEAST YOU COULD COMFORT YOURSELF BY SAYING YOU DID EVERYTHING POSSIBLE.

GNN...

...

PITY... FINE, THEN SHALL I PROPOSE A SOLUTION FOR YOU?

TSS

ALL MY ATTENTION WILL BE OCCUPIED WITH FIGHTING THIS EXCEPTIONALLY STRONG MONSTER...

SO, AT THAT TIME, WHY DON'T YOU ATTACK ME FROM BEHIND? THIS WAY, YOU JUST MIGHT HAVE A CHANCE OF WINNING...

THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT WE'LL ENCOUNTER A MIDBOSS AT THE END OF THIS ROUTE.

WH... WHAT?

THAT'S OUT OF THE QUESTION...! WHO DO YOU TAKE ME FOR...?!

SOMETHING ELSE... I WANT YOU TO STOP CALLING ME 'YOU'. SINCE I'VE DROPPED THE NAME OF 'SLAYAN'...

TAP TAP TAP

IT WAS JUST A SUGGESTION! THE CHOICE IS STILL UP TO YOU.

JUST CALL ME 'BAN'.

BAN...?

SCRIPT
SPLASH
FLOP
SPLASH

THIS IS...

...A FAMILIAR PLACE...

Of course! This is 'Great Mountain'! We used to come here often!

REALLY?

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Stage 169.

Discovering the other Players

AGE OF

HWIT

SHH!

DON'T MAKE ANY NOISE!

ZAP

HISSSS

HISSSS

Ba-Dum

Ba-Dum

Ba-Dum

Ba-Dum

Ba-Dum

HISSSSS

Ba-Dum

ARE THEY GONE?

NO. NOT YET!

ALRIGHT! THE COAST .S CLEAR.

IT WOULD HAVE BEEN EASY TO KILL THEM! ARE YOU SCARED OR SOMETHING?

OF COURSE NOT! IT'S JUST BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE TIME FOR THIS...

OR IS IT THAT HARD FOR YOU TO USE YOUR HEAD?

WHAT DID YOU SAY?! YOU AND ME, LET'S FIGHT RIGHT HERE, RIGHT NOW!! WE DON'T HAVE TO GO TO THE SUMMIT!

WHY ARE YOU ON MY SIDE? I THOUGHT YOU WERE HIS FRIEND.

WELL... I'M ALWAYS TAKING THE SIDE OF PRETTY YOUNG LADIES, LIKE YOU.

OH, REALLY?

THAT'S RIGHT, LOTTO, YOU SUCK!!

[ED-Note: gogo boromir, defend your girl *rawr*//]

IDIOT! I HATE LOOSERS WHO TRY TO PICK UP GIRLS DURING THE GAME!

TAP

TAP

BRRR

I don't mind getting hit, cuz she's pretty!

HURRY UP! WE'VE ALREADY LOST ENOUGH TIME AS IT IS!

ALRIGHT, BUT I WANT TO HEAR SOME EXPLANATIONS!

I ALREADY UNDERSTAND WE HAVE TO BEAT THE FAST-RISING WATERS... BUT I THINK THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE YOU HAVEN'T TOLD ME YET!

HMPH... IF YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND, THEN JUST DO WHAT A MORE EXPERIENCED PERSON TELLS YOU. DON'T NITPICK!

I'LL EXPLAIN IT TO YOU, BUT WE GOTTA KEEP MOVING!

'GREAT MOUNTAIN' IS DIFFERENT FROM OTHER DUNGEONS, BECAUSE THERE ARE TONS OF MONSTERS DOING PATROLS!

RATHER, ALL MONSTERS EXCEPT THE MIDBOSSES ARE ON PATROL, AND IF YOUR TIMING IS WRONG, YOU CAN ENCOUNTER 2 OR 3 GOUPS AT THE SAME TIME!

WE CAN EVADE THEIR PATROLS MOST OF THE T.ME, BUT THE LOCATIONS WHERE THE M.DBOSSES RESIDE ARE PATROLLED CONSTANTLY, BY ALL GROUPS.

IF WE DON'T DEAL WITH A GROUP IN LESS THEN 5 MINUTES, ANOTHER PATROL MAY COME FROM BEHIND AND AMBUSH US!

NOW I UNDERSTAND WHY YOU INSIST ON FOLLOWING THIS PATROL GROUP SO CLOSELY. BUT, TO BE HONEST, IT SEEMS 5 MINUTES ARE MORE THAN ENOUGH TIME!

BUT IT'S ALSO POSSIBLE THAT WE DON'T EVEN HAVE THOSE 5 MINUTES...

THE ROUTE OF THE PATROLS CAN CHANGE AT ANY MOMENT, ESPECIALLY IF THERE ARE LOTS OF OTHER PLAYERS MONSTER-HUNTING IN THE DUNGEON.

FOR EXAMPLE, IF A MIDBOSS IS ELIMINATED, THE PATROLS WILL BYPASS HIS LOCATION, WHICH CAN GREATLY SHORTEN THEIR ROUTE!

BUT IT ALSO MEANS THAT WHEN WE KILL ONE MIDBOSS, IT WILL BE EASIER FOR US TO EVADE THE PATROLS.

BUT THAT'S NOT LIKELY TO HAPPEN, RIGHT? I DON'T THINK THERE ARE OTHER PLAYERS BESIDES US IN THIS DUNGEON...

LET'S JUST DO THEM IN!

I KNOW THAT AS WELL! I WAS JUST EXPLAINING THE PRINCIPLE TO YOU!!

NO REASON TO GET MAD! IT'S NOT MY FAULT YOU LIKE TO TALK SO MUCH.

I totally agree with you!

Don't mind him

BE QUIET! THE MIDBOSS SHOULD BE STRAIGHT AHEAD!!

IT'S ABOUT TIME! I COULD REALLY USE A LITTLE ACTION RIGHT NOW!

ZAP

SHHH

DAMMIT!
I DIDN'T EXPECT TO ENCOUNTER THE FIRE OPHIDIAN!

BUT I THOUGHT EACH MIDBOSS STAYED IN THE SAME LOCATION?

YES, BUT SINCE THE DUNGEON IS RESET AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH SESSION, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT THEIR PLACEMENT IN ADVANCE!

THE ONLY PROBLEM IS, I'M A FIRE MAGE! ALL MY SPELLS WILL BE ABSOLUTELY *USELESS* AGAINST HIM!

IT'S PROBABLY A COUNTERMEASURE TO PREVENT PLAYERS FROM ALWAYS GOING AFTER THE EASIEST MIDBOSS...

GRR

HMPH! THIS IS WHY YOU CAN NEVER COUNT ON MAGES! LOOKS LIKE I HAVE TO TAKE CHARGE!!

HEY, ALL THIS TIME WEREN'T YOU ACTING LIKE...

...YOU'D TAKE CARE OF EVERYTHING?

Ohh your punch from last time still hurts!

You were supposed to heal yourself!

I'll support you with my whole heart, *Phuan!*

THE PATROLS ARE ON THEIR WAY! WE NEED TO KILL THE MIDBOSS BEFORE ANOTHER PATROL ARRIVES!

I DON'T LIKE TAKING THE BACKSEAT, BUT THERE'S NO CHOICE...GO! I'LL COVER YOU.

NOW WE'RE TALKING!!

HISSSSSSSS

HEY THERE, LITTLE SNAKE!! DO YOU WANT TO PLAY WITH ME?!

TADAD

EK

TAP

FLUSH

SHLAC

LOOK AT THAT!

YOU DARE TO BLOCK MY STRIKE?!

HISSSSSSSSSSS

CLONG

YIKES!

FZZ

VZZ

WHAT'S THAT? LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE ALSO A BLADEMASTER...

A SWORD OF FIRE... NOW I UNDERSTAND WHY LOTTO WAS SO HESITANT!

WATCH OUT! YOU CAN'T BLOCK A SWORD MADE ONLY OF FLAMES!!

I CAN FIGURE THAT OUT BY JUST LOOKING, SO STOP YOUR NAGGING!!

A DUEL BETWEEN TWO BLADEMASTERS ALWAYS GETS MY BLOOD BOILING...

WHETHER THEY ARE PLAYERS, OR MONSTERS!

WHAT...?

SOMEHOW SHE SEEMS A LITTLE DIFFERENT NOW...?

WHY DON'T WE HAVE SOME FUN, YOU SNAKEHEAD~!

HISSSSSSSSSSSS

NO, DON'T CONFRONT HIM DIRECTLY! THAT'S SUICIDE!!

EEEEK... WE'VE GOT BIG TROUBLE!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO KEEP WATCH FOR OTHER PATROLS!

IT... IT'S JUST... LOOK! ANOTHER PATROL!!

WHY SO FAST...? THE ONLY REASON WOULD BE THAT ONE OR MORE MID-BOSSES HAVE BEEN KILLED...

WHAT?! THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE... A PATROL PASSED LEFT THIS PLACE LESS THAN A MINUTE AGO!

YOU CAN GO AND LOOK FOR YOURSELF IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME!!

IS IT POSSIBLE THAT OTHER PLAYERS ALSO ENTERED THIS DUNGEON?

ONLY HIGH-LEVEL PLAYERS ARE ABLE TO KILL THE MID-BOSSES...

WHO COULD IT BE...? WHY ENTER THIS DUNGEON, EVEN THOUGH IT'S NOT PART OF THE CURRENT EVENT?!

GO HELP PHUAN! I'M TAKING CARE OF THE PATROL!!

I PREFER HELPING HER, TOO, BUT WILL YOU BE ALRIGHT BY YOURSELF?

I ALREADY DECIDED TO MAKE USE OF THEM, SO I'LL USE THEM TO THE MAX...

EH? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT...?

NOTHING YOU SHOULD CARE ABOUT! JUST GO AND HELP PHUAN!! IF YOU HELP, WE CAN WIN!

YES, SIR!!

I HAVE NO IDEA WHO THE OTHER PLAYERS ARE, BUT CHANCES ARE WE WILL MEET THEM AT THE SUMMIT, RIGHT?

I'LL MAKE SURE TO PAY THEM BACK GENEROUSLY FOR MAKING OUR LIVES HARDER!

I'M HERE MISS PHUAN!
I'LL HEAL YOU WITH
ALL MY LOVE!!

I DON'T
NEED THAT KIND
OF CRAP!

HISSSSSSSS

YOU'RE LUCKY!
I WAS JUST IN
NEED OF A LITTLE
WARM-UP!

RRR

ROR

WHAT'S WRONG..?

I THOUGHT I FELT A CHILL...

IT'S PROBABLY BECAUSE I'M SOAKED FROM THE RAIN...

THAT'S HARDLY THE ONLY REASON! OUR FRIEND OVER HERE IS PROBABLY THE MAIN REASON...

IT'S WAS OUR LUCK TO STUMBLE UPON THE ICE OPHIDIAN, WHO SPECIALISES IN FREEZING HIS OPPONENTS.

YOU COULD SAY HE GAVE US A HELL OF A FIGHT!

LUCKILY, IT WAS MICHELLE WHO TOOK THE BRUNT OF HIS ATTACK.

LOOKS LIKE SHE WAS FINALLY USEFUL FOR SOMETHING...

CLING

CLING

GET ME OUT OF HERE!

NOW THAT WE KILLED THE BOSS, THE REST OF OUR WAY SHOULD BE SAFE, RIGHT?

NOT YET! THE PATROLS WON'T CHANGE THEIR ROUTE UNTIL THEY DISCOVER HIS DEATH.

HISSSS

HISSSS

SPEAKING OF WHICH, THEY'RE HERE! TWO OPHIDIANS ARE APPROACHING US...

JUST LIKE I SAID...

WE NEED TO LIBERATE MICHELLE AND HIDE OURSELVES BEFORE THEY FIND US!!

NO... WE HAVE TO FIGHT THEM!

WHAT? BUT WHY?!

WE CAN'T ABANDON MICHELLE... AND THE ICE PRISON REMAINS AT LEAST A MINUTE OR MORE AFTER THE DEATH OF THE MIDBOSS.

YOU'RE RIGHT... THERE'S NO OTHER CHOICE.

Help meee!!

HISSss... HISSss...

OH NO... THIS CAN'T BE HAPPENING?!

WHAT NOW?

THERE ARE TWO OTHER OPHIDIANS COMING FROM THE OTHER SIDE... THEY ARE A LITTLE FURTHER AWAY, BUT THEY'RE HEADED HERE...

WHAT?!

HAS SOME-BODY ELSE KILLED ANOTHER MIDBOSS?

WHO...? THERE AREN'T MANY PLAYERS ABLE TO DEFEAT THESE KIND OF MONSTERS...

NOW THE TWO OF US HAVE TO FIGHT AGAINST 4 OF THEM! THIS MIGHT BE HARDER THAN FIGHTING A SINGLE MIDBOSS!!

WHAT CAN WE DO? THIS IS A DO-OR-DIE SITUATION!!

Maybe we should just leave her!

LOOKS LIKE WE'RE NOT THE ONLY ONES IN THIS DUNGEON!

OH..?

HE DEFEATED THE MIDBOSS AND THREE PATROLS ALL BY HIMSELF... THERE'S NO LIMIT TO HIS STRENGTH...

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Chapter One

The Approaching Crisis

SOMETHING BOTHERS ME...

WHY DIDN'T YOU ATTACK ME WHEN YOU HAD YOUR CHANCE?

...

EVEN MORE SURPRISING IS THE FACT THAT YOU HELPED ME KILL AN OPHIDIAN. I WAS SO FOCUSED ON THE BATTLE THAT YOU COULD HAVE USED IT TO YOUR ADVANTAGE.

I WASN'T HELP NG YOU. I WAS JUST DEFEND NG MYSELF AGAINST THE ONE THAT CAME FOR ME...

AND BECAUSE ONE OPHIDIAN WAS TOO MUCH TO HANDLE, YOU HARDLY HAD THE TIME TO ATTACK ME... IS THAT IT?

HMM... SORT OF...

BUT IT DOESN'T MATTER! EVEN IF I COULD HAVE ATTACKED YOU FROM BEHIND...

... I *NEVER* WOULD HAVE DONE SOMETHING SO COWARDLY FOR REVENGE!

IF I WERE TO AVENGE JULIE IN THAT WAY, SHE...

...WOULDN'T APPROVE?!

Aargh...!

GIVE IT UP! I DON'T KNOW THE REASON WHY YOU KEEP DOING IT, BUT YOU WON'T PROVOKE ME ANY MORE!

AS MUCH AS I WANT VENGEANCE, I DON'T HOLD A PERSONAL GRUDGE AGAINST YOU! ***BESIDES...***

'THIS IS JUST A GAME, SO WHAT DOES IT MATTER', WERE YOU GONNA SAY...?

...!!

WHY DO YOU KEEP PUTTING WORDS IN MY MOUTH?! WHAT EXACTLY DO YOU WANT TO SAY?!

SORRY IF I MISJUDGED YOU. I THOUGHT YOU WERE ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE THAT SPEND THEIR LIVES MAKING UP EXCUSES FOR THEMSELVES.

GRR

빙그

YOU KNOW, MY OFFER STILL STANDS! YOU ARE FREE TO ATTACK ME WHENEVER YOU WANT...

..SO DO AS YOU WISH, ALRIGHT?

HA HA HA HA!

TAP

TAP

TAP

...

RHAAAAAA!!

TCHAC

PSCH

KUUAAAAAAHH!!

TAP

BOUM

YOU'RE SO AWESOME, MISS PHUAN! MY LOVE MUST BE GIVING YOU WINGS!!

I CAN'T FOCUS BECAUSE OF YOUR STUPID JOKES!!

ARE YOU EVER GOING TO SHUT UP?!

AND JUST WHERE IS LOTTO?

I WASN'T EXPECTING MUCH SUPPORT, BUT WASN'T HE SUPPOSED TO COVER ME?

ARGH!! THAT REMINDS ME, I WONDER HOW HE IS DOING AGAINST THOSE TWO MONSTERS...

WHAT?! A PATROL HAS ALREADY FOUND US?!

WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME EARLIER?! WE'VE GOT TO HELP HIM...!

HUH?

NO NEED TO BOTHER!

FLUSH

I'M ALREADY DONE WITH THEM, SO DON'T WORRY.

TAP TAP TAP

WHAT?! YOU'RE NOT EVEN SCRATCHED?! SO THEY COULDN'T HAVE BEEN THAT POWERFUL...

I worried for nothing!

I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT... LET'S JUST SAY I DID BETTER THAN THE LAST TIME I WAS HERE...

ANYWAYS, ENOUGH TIME'S BEEN WASTED! WE NEED TO KEEP GOING...

JUST HOW IN THE WORLD DID YOU TAKE CARE OF THEM ...

TAP

TAP

HUHHH?!!

NOT TWO, BUT FOUR PATROLS?!

HOW THE HELL DID YOU DO IT?!

A SECOND PATROL GROUP CAME WHILE I WAS FIGHTING THE FIRST TWO OPHIDIANS.

WITH SUCH A SHORT TIME BETWEEN PATROLS, MORE THAN 2 MIDBOSSES MUST HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED ALREADY!

ASIDE FROM US, THERE MUST BE AT LEAST 2 OTHER TEAMS IN THIS DUNGEON!!

IF THIS CARRIES ON, WOULDN'T ALL THE MIDBOSSES GET WIPED OUT, AND THE FINAL BOSS APPEAR?!

COME ON, THAT'S *IMPOSSIBLE!* EVEN IF THERE ARE 3 TEAMS, THERE ARE 6 MIDBOSSES...

I WOULDN'T BE SO SURE ABOUT THAT.

THERE'S NO REASON FOR EACH TEAM TO ONLY KILL ONE MIDBOSS!

WE ARE IN THE FINAL EVENT OF THIS GAME. SO IT'S REALLY UNLIKELY THEY ARE HERE TO TRAIN OR FARM ITEMS...

SO WHAT IF THEY ARE HERE, INTENDING TO SUMMON THE FINAL BOSS?

BUT WHY? THAT WOULDN'T MAKE ANY SENSE!

WAIT... DIDN'T YOU SAY THAT THE FINAL BOSS APPEARS AT THE SUMMIT OF THIS MOUNTAIN?

ALL THE REFUGEES WILL GATHER THERE WHEN THE WATER LEVEL COMES UP HIGH ENOUGH!!

YOU'RE RIGHT... IF THE FINAL BOSS IS SUMMONED, AND ALL THOSE PLAYERS ARE UP THERE...

IT COULD BECOME A REAL BLOODBATH!

EVERYTHING WILL GET WIPED OUT, REINCARNATION SYSTEM OR NOT!

WHAT... WHAT DO WE DO?! SHOULD WE JUST STAY HERE AND NOT GO UP ANY MORE?!

YOU IDIOT! WE WILL DROWN IF WE STAY HERE!!

... O

WE HAVEN'T LOST YET! WE GOTTA TELL THEM TO GET READY FOR A BATTLE, AS SOON AS PEOPLE REACH THE TOP!!

LET'S HURRY!!

HOW INTERESTING!

SO WE ONLY NEED TO KILL THE 6 MIDBOSSES TO SUMMON THE FINAL ONE...

PLUS, THE ULTIMATE DESTINATION OF THE REFU-GEES IS WHERE THE FINAL BOSS WILL APPEAR ..

We still have a chance, don't we?

CLIC

CLAC

A ONCE IN A LIFETIME CHANCE... SO I WAS RIGHT TO RUN AWAY AND RISK THE HUMILIATION!

IRUHAN, TO HEAR THAT FROM YOU, WE REALLY MUST HAVE HIT ROCK-BOTTOM...

But I always expected the worst from you guys~♥

Humiliation? Did you and your brother have any self-respect to begin with?

You would stoop to almost anything to win!

BY THE WAY...

WHO KILLED THIS ONE? DOES THIS MEAN THERE ARE OTHERS HERE BESIDES US?

Dunno who, but thanks to them our work just got a bit easier.

We should hurry! The water level is rising quickly.

YOU ARE RIGHT! I WOULDN'T WANT TO MISS THE PENDING DISASTER UP ABOVE!

It will be the end of Lost Saga! Isn't that marvelous?

Forget reincarnation or whatever, our Cyber Quest wins by default if everyone else dies!

Hahahaha~!

SCENE 01

TAP

TAP

THE EXIT! WE ARE ALMOST THERE.

IS IT POSSIBLE SOMEONE REACHED IT BEFORE US?

IF THAT'S THE CASE, WE WILL KICK HIS ASS FOR MAKING OUR ASCENT TOUGHER.

DLING

HUH?!

IS SOMETHING WRONG, ROW?

I THOUGHT I HEARD SOMETHING... LIKE MUSIC...

DLING

Twilight falls on the world~

It is time to return to the sea~

Origin of all living beings~

DLING

DLING

DLING

The end of an era, but also a new beginning~

Joy and sadness~
The opposites will join together to form one~

WOW... YOU WERE RIGHT. SOMEONE IS SINGING

AND YOU HEARD IT IN SPITE OF ALL THE SOUNDS OF THE DOWNPOUR!

COME CLOSER, FRIENDS...

I AM FINALLY GOING TO HAVE A WORTHY AUDIENCE!

I'VE HEARD THIS VOICE BEFORE...

RANGER A_PH...

BING

THAT'S NOT MY NAME!

ARGH! WHAT HAVE I DONE...?

I AM MINSTREL DELTA. A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU...

하하하 HA HA HA

THAT'S A BIT TOO LATE!!

IS IT YOU WHO KILLED ONE OF THE MIDBOSSES?

OH, YES! I HOPE MY LITTLE INTER-VENTION DIDN'T BOTHER YOU.

ARE YOU KIDDING? WE ALMOST DIED BECAUSE OF YOU...!

I DIDN'T THINK ANYONE WOULD BE CRAZY ENOUGH TO ASCEND FROM THE INSIDE OF THE DUNGEON.

DID YOU REALLY THINK WE WERE GOING TO AWAKEN THE FINAL BOSS?

No well, not really.

HA HA

I HIGHLY DOUBT THERE WOULD BE OTHER STRANGE FOLKS SUCH AS YOURSELVES.

SORRY TO DISAPPOINT YOU.

OH MY GOODNESS~ WHO IS THIS?!

SO WHAT'S YOUR THEME THIS TIME? I SEE YOU'VE GIVEN UP ALTOGETHER ON DISGUISING YOUR-SELF ASWELL.

HIRK

LOTTO?!

WHAT HAVE YOU GUYS DONE?!! YOU COULD HAVE AWOKEN THE FINAL BOSS...!!

SO IF I UNDERSTAND CORRECTLY, THAT MEANS YOUR PARTY ALSO KILLED ONE OF THE MIDBOSSES?

OF COURSE!! YOU HAVE TO, IF YOU WANT TO KEEP ADVANCING!!

STILL, NO NEED TO WORRY! WE ONLY K..LED 3 OF THEM, THAT MEANS THERE ARE 3 STILL LEFT...

Ah? Woon- ha

THIS IS WHAT'S KNOWN AS *"THE POT CALLING THE KETTLE BLACK"*, YOU KNOW...

I WOULDN'T BE SO SURE! THIS PLACE ISN'T LACKING IN CRAZY PEOPLE...

SO, THAT WOULD MAKE THIS THE GATHERING PLACE FOR THOSE CRAZY PEOPLE.

SHPOC

HUH? WHO ARE YOU?

...!

SHPOC

SHPOC

THAT OUTFIT...!!

SLAYAN?! NO... WAIT, THE FACE IS DIF-FERENT...!?

WERE YOU STILL ALIVE?! I THOUGHT I HAD ALREADY GOTTEN RID OF YOU.

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PARTNER WHO'S ALWAYS BY YOUR SIDE?

WHO EXACTLY...

...ARE YOU?!

YUREKA SCANS

PLEASE PURCHASE THIS MANGA
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Stage 171.

Each Person's Choice

THERE ARE UNEXPECTEDLY MANY PLAYERS UP HERE.

BUT I DON'T SEE THE PERSON I WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO MEETING...

HIS OUTFIT IS SIMILAR TO SLAYAN'S, BUT HIS FACE IS... NO, HIS WHOLE IMAGE IS DIFFERENT...

IS THIS HIS TRUE FORM?

HEY~ YOU! WAIT A MINUTE! WAIT A MINUTE!

FLUSH

[*- From here on, Boromir counts using homonyms or words containing homonym syllables for numbers in Korean: lit. "one guy", "two sons", "three (in hanja)", "racoon", "squid", "beef spicy soup"]

DID YOU BY ANY CHANCE DEFEAT A MIDBOSS WHILE COMING UP HERE?!

OF COURSE, SINCE IT'S REQUIRED IN ORDER TO PASS THROUGH...

ONE*!

THE OLD WOMAN'S GROUP DEFEATED ONE AS WELL?!

GRR

WHO'S AN OLD WOMAN?!

WE ALSO HAD TO DEFEAT ONE MIDBOSS TO GET UP HERE.

TWO!

SINCE WE GOT ONE, TOO...

DID YOU GET ONE AS WELL, HYUNG-NIM**?!

THAT'S THREE!!

I... I HAD TO, IN ORDER TO GET UP HERE...

FOUR!!

THERE AREN'T ANY MORE, RIGHT? SINCE THERE WERE S X, NOW THERE ARE ONLY TWO LEFT?

ALTHOUGH IT'S WORRISOME, WE ARE SAFE FOR NOW, RIGHT?

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FIOÜ

[**- "older brother"; they all recognized Han as Woon-Ha, Ah-Dol's older brother]

GET YOUR HANDS OFF OF ME! HOW LONG WERE YOU GOING TO LEAN ON ME?!

AND WOULD YOU LET IT OUT WITH THE LOUNTING?

URK-!

PAF

YOU GUYS ARE PRETTY AMUSING...SO, THERE ARE ONLY TWO LEFT?

I THOUGHT TAKING CARE OF ALL SIX OF THEM MIGHT BE A STRETCH, BUT I GUESS IT'S POSSIBLE NOW.

AND WHY WOULD YOU DO THAT?

WHAT'S YOUR PURPOSE IN COMING HERE?!

MY FINAL TARGET DISAPPEARED, SO I DON'T REALLY CARE WHAT HAPPENS.

YOU COULD SAY THIS IS THE FINAL AMUSEMENT OF MINE BEFORE THE END.

YOU THINK I WILL JUST LET YOU DO AS YOU PLEASE?!

IF IT'S A FIGHT YOU WANT, THEN I'LL TAKE YOU ON, SLAYAN!!

SLAYAN?! NO...THAT IS NOT SLAYAN! HE'S SOMEONE ELSE!

ROW!

THE FACE CAN ALWAYS BE CHANGED, THANKS TO THE THIEF'S ABILITY, "FACE CHANGE"!! AND JUDGING FROM THE OUTFIT, HE IS DEFINITELY...

OUTFIT? I WOULDN'T KNOW SINCE I CAN'T SEE IT, BUT...

HE MAY BE ABLE TO IMITATE THE VOICE, BUT THE WAY HE SPEAKS... AND HIS IMAGE AS A WHOLE.....

I CAN SENSE THAT HE IS *NOT* THE SAME PERSON!

WHAT?! WHAT KIND OF NONSENSE ARE YOU SAYING?

...

WHAT AN AMAZING ADAPTATION. AFTER LOSING YOUR SIGHT, DID YOUR OTHER SENSES BECOME SHARPER..?

WHO IS YOUR COMPANION? JUDGING FROM THE STRIDE, IT SEEMS TO BE A FEMALE.

...?

ZZT

I WAS WORRIED YOU MIGHT SUSPECT ME OF BEING ON HIS SIDE, SO I WAS HIDING... HOW DID YOU KNOW?

K.C.? SINCE WHEN DID YOU GET HERE?

DON'T TELL ME YOU ARE WITH HIM?!

PLEASE DON'T MISUNDERSTAND. I AM A VICTIM AS WELL...

NO... MAYBE I DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO SAY THAT...?

FIVE!!

YOU... YOU MUST HAVE BEATEN ONE MID-BOSS TO GET UP HERE AS WELL, SO THERE IS ONLY...!

N-NO, I JUST FOLLOWED HIM.

THE SIXTH ONE LEFT...!!

BING!

DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO KNOCK IT OFF?!

BEUH

I COULD CARE LESS ABOUT YOUR TARGET, SINCE I HAVE FIGURED OUT YOUR INTENTIONS...

YOU WANT TO FIGHT, *RIGHT?* NO, IT'S MORE LIKE YOU ARE DESPERATELY PROVOKING US TO COME AFTER YOU!

LIKE, *"TRY TO STOP ME, OR ELSE I WILL RUIN NOT ONLY YOU, BUT THIS WHOLE WORLD!!"* ISN'T THAT RIGHT?

...

HEH, SO YOU'VE FIGURED OUT THAT MUCH ALREADY. . BUT YOU SHOULDN'T BELIEVE FOR A SECOND THAT I'M BLUFFING.

THOUGH IT REALLY DOESN'T MATTER EITHER WAY FOR ME.

NOW THEN, MISSY, YOUR CHOICE IS NOW CLEAR.

YOU DIDN'T HAVE A CLEAR REASON TO STOP ME BEFORE, BUT IF I'M DOING SOMETHING SO ABSURD AS TO DESTROY THIS WORLD,

...

THEN YOU ARE JUSTIFIED IN HELPING THESE PEOPLE TO ATTACK ME...

IF THERE IS NO ONE TO GIVE ORDERS, PEOPLE SOMETIMES ACT AS THE SITUATION DICTATES.

DON'T DELUDE YOURSELF!

YOU SEEM TO ENJOY MAKING PEOPLE DO AS YOU WISH, BY ANTICIPATING THEIR ACTIONS, REACTIONS AND MANIPULATING EMOTIONS...

BUT PEOPLE WON'T ALWAYS DO AS YOU WISH! AND DON'T ACT LIKE YOU ARE CONTROLLING A PERSON'S ACTIONS JUST BECAUSE YOU CAN PREDICT WHAT HE WILL OR WILL NOT DO!

I'M NOT GOING TO AFFIRM OR DENY ANYTHING YOU SAY! BECAUSE I AM MOVING AND ACTING ACCORDING TO MY OWN WILL!

SPLENDID!

THAT IS INDEED A CREDIBLE SELF-JUSTIFICATION!

I DON'T REALLY KNOW THE STORY, BUT IT SEEMS YOUR COMPANION HAS HAD A CHANGE OF HEART.

I DON'T CARE IF YOU ARE A DIFFERENT PERSON OR NOT! JUST SEEING YOU DRESSED THE SAME AS HIM GETS ME ALL FIRED UP!

LOTTO, I'LL ALSO HELP...

DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT IT!!

HE IS MINE, AND MINE ALONE!

UNLESS I DEFEAT HIM IN 1-ON-1, I WON'T BE SATISFIED!

EVEN IF I WERE TO LOSE...

I WILL MAKE SURE HE ENDS UP HALF-DEAD, SO YOU MAKE SURE TO TAKE CARE OF THE REST!

KUH-!

HAHAHAHA! THAT'S RIGHT, YOU GUYS WERE RIVALS!!

IS THAT WHY YOU GUYS SAY THE SAME THINGS?!

WHAT?

IT'S REALLY TOO BAD. I REALLY WANTED TO SEE THE FINAL BATTLE BETWEEN YOU TWO.

YOU CAN'T MEAN...

ARE YOU SAYING YOU FOUGHT ARADON BEFORE COMING HERE?

YOU SHOULD ALREADY KNOW THE END RESULT WHEN I'M STANDING HERE BEFORE YOU, RIGHT?

I KNOW I AM ONLY A SUBSTITUTE, BUT I WILL HELP YOU PUT AN END TO YOUR RIVALRY INDIRECTLY!

BLITZ

LIGHTNING BLADE?!

WHY IS ARADON'S SECRET SKILL...!!

(*- meaning, chance of beating one person (Aradon or Lotto) is 10,000 to 1; square that to get the chance of beating them both, i.e. very tough odds!)

IF I BEAT THE ODDS OF 10,000 TO 1 TWICE, THEN IT'LL BE 100 MILLION TO 1*! SO WHICH SIDE WILL YOU BET ON?

VZZZ

I'M SORRY TO RUIN THE MOOD, *BUT*...

TAC

AREN'T YOU FORGETTING SOMETHING?

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?! DIDN'T I SAY NOT TO GET IN MY WAY?!

JUST WHO DO YOU THINK GOT IN THE WAY FIRST?!

DIDN'T YOU COME ALL THE WAY UP HERE TO SETTLE THINGS WITH ME, LOTTO?

I'LL DEAL WITH YOU AFTER I CRUSH HIM, SO WAIT!!

HOW DO I KNOW YOJ ARE NOT GOING LOSE TO THAT GJY?!

WHAT?! WHO DO YOU THINK I AM...!

IF WE DON'T STOP HIM NOW, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT MIGHT END UP HAPPENING...

HMPH! AND DOES THAT HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH ME?!

I AM A PK-ER TO BEGIN WITH!

AND IT'S OUR NATURE TO NOT GIVE A SHIT, AND TO PUT OUR DESIRES FIRST ABOVE EVERYTHING!!

THAT'S SO SELF-CENTERED... EVEN IF YOU ARE A MURDERER, IN THIS KIND OF SITU-ATION YOU SHOULD...

NO~. THERE IS TRUTH IN HER WORDS.

AS LONG AS SHE ABIDES BY WHAT THIS WOR_D'S SYSTEM ALLOWS, SHE CAN DO WHATEVER SHE WANTS!

A CHOICE BETWEEN HIS OWN HAPPINESS AND THE HAPPINESS OF OTHERS WILL ALWAYS BE D FFERENT FOR EACH PERSON!

"RANGER" ALPHA, IS IT? YOU SAY SOME SENSIBLE THINGS.

UMM... DO YOU KNOW ME?

~OR NOT!! PLEASE, SIR, I'M THE MINSTREL DELTA!

I THINK YOU'RE A LITTLE TOO LATE THERE.

AWIT

DIDN'T YOU LIKE THE NAME I GAVE YOU? I GUESS NOT, SINCE YOU CHANGE IT SO OFTEN...

WHAT..?!

I KNEW YOU LOOKED FAMILIAR, BUT ARE YOU REALLY...

YOUR SUSPICION IS PRETTY MUCH ON THE MARK.

... ARE YOU REALLY ILBAN?!

PLEASE CALL ME "BAN" FOR NOW.

THOUGH STRICTLY SPEAKING, I'M NOT REALLY HIM EITHER.

DO YOU REALLY HAVE TO DO THIS?!

I DIDN'T WANT IT TO COME TO THIS, BUT YOU BROUGHT IT ON YOURSELF!

I'M GIVING YOU A LAST CHANCE! *BACK OFF!!*

AND THIS IS MY FINAL WARNING! IF YOU KEEP BRUSHING ME OFF, I'LL CHOP YOUR HEAD OFF RIGHT NOW!!

YUREKA SCANS

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Stage 172.

The Right to Get On Board

HUH? WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY TIME?

IT LOOKS LIKE TIME IS ALMOST UP.

AS THE WATER LEVEL RISES WE CAN SEE THE TOP OF THE MOUNTAIN BETTER.

AT THIS RATE, SHOULDN'T WE GET THERE IN LESS THAN AN HOUR OR TWO?

YOU ARE RIGHT... I WONDER IF LOTTO AND OTHERS SAFELY MADE IT TO THE TOP...

WELL, GETTING UP THERE ISN'T A PROBLEM FOR THEM, BUT...

IT'S JUST I CAN'T HELP BUT FEEL THIS BAD VIBE.

BAD VIBE...? YOU MEAN SOMETHING IS BOTHERING YOU?

NAH~ I JUST HAVE TOO MUCH ANXIETY, THAT'S ALL. ANYWAY, DO YOU HAVE ENOUGH SPACE?

I AM FINE. IF THIS MEANS WE CAN PICK UP EVEN ONE MORE SURVIVOR, IT'LL BE BEARABLE.

Ah~

POF

WE COULDN'T JUST LET THEM DROWN, BUT...

I WONDER IF WE SHOULD HAVE PICKED UP THOSE PKERS...

Even though we kept them on a separate boat.

OH, WELL... IT'S NOT LIKE THEY CAN FIGHT ON THESE SMALL BOATS, SO THEY'LL KEEP QUIET...

BUT WHEN WE REACH THE SUMMIT, WILL THEY STAY CALM...?

I SHOULD TAKE SOME MEASURES BEFORE THEY MAKE ANY SUSPICIOUS MOVES...

WHA...WHAT IS THAT? DOESN'T IT LOOK LIKE IT'S HEADING THIS WAY?

Hmm?

BLA

BLA

I CAN SEE SOMETHING... AND IT'S *HUGE*?!

FSOUHH

MY... IT'S ALMOST AS BIG AS A CASTLE, JUST WHAT IS IT...?

TO CARRY THIS MANY PLAYERS, IT'S GOTTA BE BIG.

IT'S JUST AS LOTTO PRED CTED.

THAT'S DEFINITELY AN "ARK"!

AN... ARK?!

WE HAVE FINALLY CLOSED IN ON OUR DESTINATION.

TAP

HUHUHU... I'M SO LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS.

THE WAITING LAMBS WILL CHEER IN HAPPINESS AS THEY WITNESS THEIR SAVIOR.

JUST THINKING ABOUT IT KEEPS ME SHIVERING. *THE NOISE~ THE CHEER~*

THE APPEARANCE OF THIS WORLD'S LAST HOPE AND SAVIOR, "ROCK"!

I SHOULD PREPARE FOR A SPEECH. NO... HOW ABOUT A SONG INSTEAD?

HE IS TOTALLY DROWNED IN HIS OWN NARCISSISTIC WORLD.

I WONDER WHO HE'S TALKING TO?

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HU HU HU

WELL, HE SAVED US, SO HE MUST BE A NICE GUY~

WEL... I GUESS WE ARE INDEBTED TO H.M, BUT...

SHE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE SHE WILL DO ANYTHING DANGEROUS, BUT I SHOULD STILL BE ON MY GUARD...

SINCE I WAS DECEIVED BY HER LOOKS THAT ENTIRE TIME ...

Hmm I know I've seen that face somewhere~

SINCE WE ARE SO CLOSE TO OUR DESTI-NATION, YOU WON'T DIE BY DROWNING, RIGHT?

DROWNING? *WHO?*

I TOOK YOU IN TEMPORARILY, BUT I NEED TO SEE IF YOU GUYS POSSESS THE "*RIGHT*" TO EMBARK.

SO, GET OFF MY SHIP FOR NOW!

G-GET OFF? *HERE?*

WAIT... IF YOU WERE GOING TO DO THAT, WHY DID YOU...?

TAP

ENOUGH CHIT-CHAT!! WHEN I SAY GET OFF, YOU GET OFF!!

KYAA~!!

BING

DO YOU HEAR VOICES UP THERE?

IT LOOKS LIKE SOMEONE MAY HAVE JUMPED...

PLOUF

MAYBE THEY DIDN'T JUMP OFF, BUT GOT PUSHED OFF?

POUHAAA!

SPLASH

WHAT IS WRONG WITH YOU?! ONE MINUTE YOU INVITE US ONBOARD, AND NOW YOU JUST KICK US OFF LIKE THIS!!

WOULD IT HURT TO GIVE US AN EXPLANATION?!

HAF

PLOUF

PLOUF

OH MY~! MISS YUREKA.

WE COULDN'T F.ND HER ANYWHERE, SO HOW DID SHE...

MISS YUREKA! COME! THIS WAY!

WOW! IT'S MISS PIRI! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!

WE DON'T HAVE MUCH SPACE, BUT AT LEAST...

PLOUF

PLOUF

HEY!! WE ARE ALREADY AT THE LIMIT!

BUT WE CAN'T JUST LEAVE HER THERE...

AND WHAT IF THIS BOAT SINKS BECAUSE OF HER?

WEREN'T YOU RESCUED THE SAME WAY AS HER?

HUH?

ALTHOUGH YOU ARE NOT WRONG, YOU DON'T HAVE THE RIGHT TO DECIDE WHETHER SHE GETS ON OR NOT!

EVEN IF WE WERE TO SINK, YOU ARE NOT IN ANY POSITION TO COMPLAIN!

A-ARE YOU... Y-YOU'RE... THREATENING ME, AREN'T YOU?

...

SPLASH

PLEASE DON'T FIGHT- WE CAN JUST HOLD ONTO THE EDGE OF THE BOAT, LIKE THIS.

WHAT?!! ME TOO?!

FLUSH

FLUSH

FLUSH

HUH...?
THERE ARE LADDERS COMING DOWN FROM THE SHIP...

FLUSH

PLOUF

HM?

WE WILL NOW ACCEPT PASSENGERS!

BUT THERE ARE QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS, SO ONLY THOSE WHO MEET THOSE CONDITIONS MAY CLIMB UP!

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS...?

ARE YOU TELLING ME HE IS GOING TO SELECT WHO GETS ONBOARD THE ARK...?

THIS IS GOOD! ONCE I GET ONBOARD THERE'LL BE SPACE HERE, SO PLEASE GET IN.

LET'S MEET UP AT THE TOP!!

WOW~ GOOD FOR YOU, MISS PIRI~!

TOP PRIORITY FOR BOARDING GOES TO THIS WORLD'S INHABITANTS! NAMELY THE NPCS!

WHY DO THE NPCS HAVE PRIORITY... I'M SURE THIS EVENT IS FOR THE PLAYERS...

FOR YOUR INFORMATION, IF YOU BOARD THE SHIP WHEN YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO BOARD THIS SHIP FOREVER!!

COULD THE POSSESSION OF KEYS HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH THIS?

TILT

HEY, YOU! DID YOU HEAR ANYTHING UP THERE? YOU WERE UP THERE WITH YUREKA, WEREN'T YOU?

W-WELL, NOTHING IN PARTICULAR...

HEY, DID WE MEET SOMEWHERE BEFORE? YOUR FACE SEEMS FAMILIAR SOMEHOW...

HUM

HAHA.. THIS CHARACTER STYLE IS PRETTY COMMON, AFTER ALL...

ANYWAYS, I DID HAVE A CHANCE TO LOOK AROUND THE INTERIOR OF THE SHIP.

CUZ I FIGURED THERE MIGHT BE SOME HINTS RELATED TO THE EVENT...

WHAT WE SAW THERE WERE COUNTLESS DOORS...

THE DOORS WERE LINED UP IN A LONG HALLWAY THAT SEEMED TO GO ON FOREVER.

AND ON EACH OF THE DOORKNOBS, THERE WERE TWO KEYHOLES.

KEYHOLES?! DOES THAT MEAN...

YOU MUST MEAN THIS, RIGHT?

RIGHT, RIGHT! SO DID YOU TRY IT OUT?

HE GATHERED QUITE A BIT... SO HE MUST BE SKILLFUL DESPITE HIS LOOKS.

THE OTHER HOLE DIDN'T EVEN BUDGE, NO MATTER WHAT WE TRIED...

CLIC CLIC CLIC CLIC

OF COURSE I TRIED. BUT ONLY ONE OF THE TWO KEYHOLES SEEMED TO MATCH THE KEY...

SEEING AS HOW ONE OF THE KEYHOLES WORKS, I WASN'T COMPLETELY WRONG...

I WILL GO ON AHEAD, SO I'LL SEE YOU SOON!

AH... THAT'S RIGHT! MISS PIR., HAVE YOU...

...SEEN LOTTO ANYWHERE? I THOUGHT HE WOULD BE WITH YOU GUYS, BUT NO MATTER WHERE I LOOK...

HUM

Boromir's not here either.

AH... LOTTO IS SOMEWHERE NEARBY.

YOU SEE THAT MOUNTAIN PEAK UP THERE?

HUH?!

SCHWA

HE SHOULD BE UP THERE, WAITING FOR THE WATER TO RISE UP TO THAT LEVEL.

DUE TO THE LACK OF SPACE ON THE BOAT, HE AND THE OTHERS HAVE GONE UP AHEAD.

LOTTO IS... *UP THERE?*

BLITZ

SCRRR

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The Seal, Released

EVEN IN THIS KIND OF SITUATION, YOUR KIND ONLY KNOWS ABOUT DOING WHATEVER YOU GUYS WANT...

YOU PKERS...

IF I CARED ABOUT WHAT OTHERS THOUGHT, I WOULDN'T HAVE BECOME ONE IN THE FIRST PLACE.

I CAN'T CONVINCE YOU NOW, SO IT WOULD BE A WASTE OF TIME TO KEEP TRYING, *RIGHT?*

YOU SHOULD HAVE KNOWN THAT FROM THE START!

SO... DO WE START OUR BATTLE, JUST LIKE THIS?

TOC

TOC

IF YOU WEREN'T GOING TO OBJECT, I WOULDN'T HAVE EVEN NEEDED TO THREATEN YOU.

ZZT

NEVERTHELESS, I STILL NEED TO TAKE CARE OF SOMETHING BEFORE WE BEGIN.

UNTIL I TAKE CARE OF THIS PERSISTENT GIRL, I'M HOPING YOU CAN AT LEAST HOLD HIM DOWN.

HAHA~ BUT YOU WON'T MIND IF I FINISH HIM FIRST, RIGHT?

...IS WHAT I WANT TO SAY, BUT I CAN'T SAY I AM THAT CONFIDENT ABOUT IT.

I GUESS I WON'T KNOW UNTIL I TRY, BUT...

I NEVER WANTED TO AVOID A FIGHT AGAINST SOMEONE SO BADLY BEFORE.

I WANT TO HELP, BUT I GUESS GETTING IN BETWEEN A DUEL IS RUDE, RIGHT...? JUST IN CASE, I WILL GET READY...

EH...? I FIGURED YOU WOULDN'T WANT ME TO GET IN YOUR WAY IN A 1-ON-1...

NO~ NO~ WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? I DON'T WANT TO FORCE YOU, BUT IF YOU WANT TO HELP...

I DON'T HAVE THAT KIND OF SELF-RESPECT, SO IT DOESN'T MATTER!!

IF THE SITUATION WERE DIFFERENT, I WOULD ENJOY THIS BATTLE, WHETHER I WIN OR NOT...

BUT IF THIS FIGHT WILL DECIDE THE FUTURE OF OTHER PEOPLE'S LIVES, THEN I KNOW THAT I CAN'T LOSE THIS FIGHT!

ESPECIALLY IF I HAVE EVEN A SLIGHT CHANCE...

AS EXPECTED OF RANGER ALPHA...! YOUR ABILITY TO MEASURE THE OPPONENT'S STRENGTH WAS DEFINITELY THE BEST.

UMM... THIS MIGHT THE LAST TIME BUT DO YOU *REALLY* THINK THE TITLE I CHOSE WON'T WORK?

I'LL TRY MY BEST, BUT DON'T EXPECT TOO MUCH.

DIDN'T KNOW YOU HATED IT THAT MUCH.

SO, IF I WIN, WILL YOU DEFINITELY CALL ME MINSTREL DELTA FROM NOW ON?!!

AREN'T YOU FORGETTING WHAT IS REALLY AT STAKE...?

III
TSS

THEN, I GUESS YOU ARE FATED TO FOREVER BE CALLED ALPHA...

IF WOON-HA REGARDS HIM WITH THAT MUCH DEFERENCE... HOW STRONG IS THAT GUY, REALLY...?

Even though he hates losing as much as Woon-Suk, and doesn't show it he's still...

HEY, HOW LONG DO I HAVE TO WAIT?! WEREN'T YOU THE ONE WHO SAID YOU WERE IN HURRY?!

AH... SORRY, ALMOST FORGOT ABOUT YOU.

DUE TO THE LACK OF TIME, I'LL WRAP THIS UP QUICKLY, SO PLEASE DON'T HATE ME FOR IT.

HAH!! AREN'T YOU SOUNDING A LITTLE TOO CONCEITED?!

SCRITCH

I KNOW FROM MY EXPER ENCE THAT YOU ARE NOT BLUFFING! AND THE WAY YOU HAND_ED THOSE MONSTERS, TOO...

YOU MIGHT BE AS STRONG AS, OR STRONGER THAN TABLEN, WHO WAS A HIGHER-RANK THAN ME...

BUT AS A CHALLENGER, THIS ONLY MAKES ME WANT TO WIN EVEN MORE!!

THE TASTE OF VICTORY AFTER OVERCOMING THIS KIND OF OBSTACLE CAN'T EVEN BE DESCR BED .N WORDS!!

I'M GJESSING SHE IS A STEREOTYPICAL FIGHTER TYPE? OF COURSE, NOTHING IS MORE DANGEROUS THAN AN OPPONENT WHO TAKES EVERYTHING SERIOJSLY..

I'LL PUT ALL MY POWER .NTO F X NG THAT BAD HABIT OF YOJRS!!

SHPOC

HERE I COME~!! SHORTY!!

GRR

RR

I TOLD YOU TO STOP CALLING ME THAT!!

TAC

FIRE...

SO YOU WERE A MAGICIAN SWORDSMEN?!

THOSE USELESS LOSERS WHO ARE NEITHER MAGICIANS NOR SWORDSMEN!!

THERE IS NO NEED TO EVADE THAT PITIFUL FLAME MAGIC IN THIS RAIN, BUT...

...BALL!!

BOUM

HUH?!

FRR

FIRE...

..BALL!!

BOUM

FIRE...

FIRE...

..BALL!!

..BALL!!

HUH...? HE WASN'T AIMING FOR ME?

BAM

BAM

TAP

THAT MIGHT INCREASE ITS DESTRUCTIVE STRENGTH, BUT IT WON'T HELP YOU AGAINST ME!!

VZZZ

CHE~! DID I WORRY TOO MUCH? HE WAS JUST ADDING SOME MAGIC INTO A MERE SWORD...

FWISH

FI... RE...

SHLAC

F22

BALL!!!

WHAT..?!

H-HOW CAN THIS BE?

BOUM

FIRE... BALL!

BAM

FIRE... BALL!

BAM

NOT ONLY IS HE NOT INJURED, HE DIDN'T EVEN REACT TO MY HIT!

EVEN IF HE WERE A WARRIOR TYPE, THAT BLOW WAS DEFINITELY A CRITICAL HIT, SO HOW CAN HE BE OKAY...

IN FACT, HE JUST BRUSHED IT OFF, AND IS JUST CONCENTRATING ON HIS MAGIC...!!

FLUSH

FINE~!! THEN, THIS TIME IT WILL BE ONE HIT-KILL TO SEND YOU OFF TO THE AFTERLIFE!!

IF THAT ONE-HIT DOESN'T WORK...

...!!

WHATCHA GONNA DO THEN?

WHETHER IT WORKS OR NOT...

SCRRRR

WHY DON'T YOU FIND OUT FOR YOURSELF!!

SHINK

IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT...

LET ME FIND OUT!!

FLISH

SCRAC

CLING

.....!!

CLONG

WH-WHAT?

IT'S NOT OVER YET!

CLONG

FLASH

TOKYO

FRRRR

KYAAAAAAA~!!

[*- meaning a counter-attack]

HOW...
DID HE PRODUCE
SUCH POWERFUL
FLAMES...

IT'S A KIND OF A
COUNTER*, I GUESS?

DA... DAMN.. YOU WERE AIMING FOR THIS...?

POF

SCHIK

TOK

IF THE OPPONENT DOESN'T LOOK DAMAGED AT ALL FROM REGULAR ATTACKS, WOULDN'T MOST PEOPLE TRY TO USE THEIR STRONGEST MOVES?

AND IN MOST CASES, ONCE I HAD CRUSHED THEIR MOVES, THEY WOULD JUST ADMIT THEIR LOSS.

MORE LIKE I WAS LEADING YOU ON THE WHOLE TIME.

....!

YOU'RE RIGHT...
A LOSS IS A LOSS...
BUT HOW WERE YOU NOT HURT FROM MY FIRST ATTACK...?!

BUT WHY DIDN'T MY MAGIC...

DID YOU USE SOMETHING ABNORMAL...?

DON'T TELL ME...
EVEN MAGIC DOESN'T WORK ON YOU...? THEN NO WONDER JJANG LOST SO EASILY TO YOU...

DON'T MISUNDERSTAND. LIKE I SAID BEFORE, MY ABILITIES ARE ALL WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THIS GAME.

ALTHOUGH I HAD SEALED IT AWAY, BECAUSE IT WAS SO POWERFUL THAT IT ALMOST SEEMED LIKE CHEATING...

I DECIDED TO USE IT WITHOUT HESITATION, SINCE THIS IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE END!

AND THAT IS ALL I CAN TELL YOU...

WELL... IT CAN'T BE HELPED SINCE LOSERS AREN'T ENTITLED TO SPEAK.

SCRRR

W-WHAT IS THIS VIBRATION?

AFTER A FLOOD, NOW THERE IS EVEN AN EARTHQUAKE?

SCRRR

WHAT'S THIS, SUDDENLY...? DON'T TELL ME...

SOMEBODY SEEMS TO HAVE FINISHED MY WORK FOR ME...!

BAM

ZUZU

SCRAC

FLUSH

HUH? THERE IS SOMETHING COMING UP FROM THE GROUND...?!

WHAT... IS THIS? SOMETHING LIKE A BIG PILLAR...?!

WOW! THERE ARE OTHER PILLARS COMING OUT IN DIFFERENT PLACES!

BIG PILLARS, AND SEVERAL OF THEM...?! DON'T TELL ME THESE ARE THE SIX SEALS?!

DOES THIS MEAN THE SEALS THAT HELD DOWN THE FINAL BOSS HAVE BEEN RELEASED?!!

YUREKA SCANS

PLEASE PURCHASE THIS MANGA
WHEN IT'S AVAILABLE IN YOUR REGION!

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Stage 174.

Sea God Appears!

SCRRR

SCRRR

KYAAA~!
WHAT IS THIS?!

JUST WHAT IS HAPPENING?! IS THIS ALSO PART OF THE EVENT?!

THIS ISN'T RELATED TO THE EVENT, MOST LIKELY...

IF I'M CORRECT, THOSE PILLARS ARE THE PROOF THAT THE SEAL IS RELEASED.

THE SEAL ON THE GREAT MOUNTAIN'S FINAL BOSS, THAT IS...

SO YOU ARE SAYING THAT SOMEONE ELSE TOOK CARE OF THE OTHER TWO MIDBOSSES...? WHY THE HELL ARE THERE SO MANY WEIRDOES~ SERIOUSLY!!

WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO BLAME OTHERS....

BUT... WHY DO I GET THE FEELING THIS WAS ALL DONE DELIBERATELY...

SCRRRR

YOU HAD MORE ALLIES THEN? SO THIS WAS ALL JUST TO STALL FOR TIME...

NO... I... DIDN'T EXPECT THIS EITHER...

I SAID I WANTED TO DO IT, BUT I DIDN'T REALLY FEEL A GREAT NEED TO....

I JUST NEEDED YOU GUYS TO FIND A REASON TO COME AFTER ME IN DESPERATION.

BUT NOW THAT IT'S COME TO THIS, IT WAS ALL FOR NOTHING... WITH THE NUMBER GATHERED HERE, WE CANNOT HANDLE THE SUMMONED BOSS...

AND THE REFUGEES WHO REACH THIS PLACE WILL BE ANNIHILATED, AS WELL...

WAS THIS REALLY YOUR GOAL?

...

[*- "older sister" from a girl's point of view]

THE SIXTH ONE...! ALL OF THE MIDBOSSES MUST HAVE BEEN DEFEATED!!

WHAT SHOULD WE DO, UNNI*?! SHOULD WE JUST GO BACK THE WAY WE CAME?!

THE WATER IS FILLING UP THE PASSAGEWAY, SO HOW WOULD THAT BE OF ANY USE?

FLUSH!

WAHHHH!! M-MOVE! IT'S GONNA HIT THE BOAT!!

ZERO BOUM

SCRRR

WHAT IS THIS...? THIS VIBRATION?!

SCRAC

THE WHOLE MOUNTAIN IS SHAKING... *JUST WHAT IS GOING ON?*

FLIP

WHOA~ DON'T PUSH!

POF

THE BOAT IS ROCK NG SO MUCH... *STAY STILL...*

SPLASH

I'M NOT ROCKING THE BOAT!

I CAN'T GET MY BALANCE BECAUSE YOU ARE TOO LOUD, MISS!

WHOOOOOA!!
WH...WHAT IS THAT?!!

FLISH

WHAAAAAAAAAH!!

KRRR

KRUUU

UUAH

"Leviathan"
Hae-Ryong (Sea Dragon)

Highest-level Dragon that rules the seas. Due to its similarity to the Asian dragon, it's also called "Imugi". Among the seas, its strength exceeds even the 3 Great Dragons.

WHY IS THERE A DRAGON, SUDDENLY..?!

MY... GOD...! IT'S A SEA DRAGON!!

SA-SAVE US!! WHAT THE HECK IS UNDER-NEATH US!! JUST WHAT KIND OF MONSTER IS THIS?!!

WHOOOOAH!!
WE ARE FALLINGGGG~!!

FLUSH

KYAAAAAAA!!

THE... THE DRAGON'S COMING THIS WAY!!

...

EVEN THIS ARK IS NOT SAFE!! A-ARE WE ALL GOING TO DIE LIKE THIS?!!

I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS... HOW DARE THAT IMPUDENT DRAGON GRAB MORE ATTENTION THAN ME...

IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN I WILL FACE YOU! THIS WILL DECIDE WHO IS THE BETTER PROTAGONIST BETWEEN THE TWO OF US!

TAG

BUT A MERE SEA SNAKE CAN'T POSSIBLY BE A THREAT FOR THE "ROCK"!!

HAHAHAHAHA~

H-HE IS CRAZY! HE IS UP AGAINST A DRAGON!

AND HE'S EVEN TRYING TO PROVOKE HIM...!

CLING

CLONG

OOH! IT JUST PASSED BY HIM!!

...

DAMN YOU~! THAT'S JUST SNEAKY! ARE YOU RUNNING AWAY?!

THE MOUNTAIN...
IT'S HEADING FOR THE
GREAT MOUNTAIN!!

THE MOUNTAIN...?!
BUT LOTTO IS THERE!

IT'S GOOD
THAT WE ARE NOT ITS
MAIN TARGET, BUT...

SPLASH

SPLASH

NO...!! LOTTO IS GOING TO BE IN DANGER!!

LOTTO, WAIT FOR ME!! I'M COMING!

SPLASH

SPLASH

HEY, YUREKA!! WAIT..!!

REALLY... THAT SINGLE-MINDEDNESS OF HERS HAS NOT CHANGED AT ALL...

TAP

SCRR

IT'S COMING... IT'S GOING TO REACH THE SUMMIT SOON.

WHERE! WHERE?! WHICH DIRECTION IS IT COMING FROM?!

NEVER MIND, JUST GO TO YOUR DESIGNATED PLACE!

FLUSH

KYAAAA!!

FLASH

GLOUPS

AH... AAAH.....

GLOUPS

WHAT ARE YOU DOING, MICHELLE!! CLIMB THE PILLAR, QUICK!!

YOU ARE THE LAST ONE!! WE NEED YOU TO FILL THE SIXTH SPOT!!

B-BUT....

M- MY LEGS... WON'T MOVE. THEY'RE SHAKING TOO MUCH...

GLA

GLA

GLA

DAMMIT!! THAT GIRL IS GOING TO RUIN EVERYTHING!

HEY! FORGET WHETHER THIS WILL WORK OR NOT, WON'T YOU FILL ONE OF THE SPOTS?!

HUHUHU...

IT'S TRUE THAT IF YOU STAND ON THE SIX PILLARS THAT SEALED THE SEA GOD, ITS MOVEMENT IS TEMP-ORARILY STOPPED.

BUT YOU CAN'T STOP IT COMPLETELY.

THE HEAD IS FREE TO MOVE AROUND DUE TO THE RELEASED SEAL, AND THAT'S WHY THE NEAREST PILLAR IS THE MOST DAN-GEROUS SPOT OF ALL.

SSSH

IS THAT SO... SO THAT PILLAR IS WITHIN ATTACK RANGE OF THAT DRAGON...

DIDN'T YOU HAVE ENOUGH PEOPLE, EVEN WITHOUT MY HELP?

AND YOU EVEN HAD PLENTY OF TIME TO CLIMB UP...

SHOULDN'T YOU INSTEAD BE THANKING ME FOR NOT ATTEMPTING TO INTERFERE?

YOU... I JUST CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT YOUR REAL AIM IS...

I'M JUST ACTING ACCORDING TO THE SITUATION...

LET'S JUST SAY I'M GOING WITH THE FLOW BECAUSE YOUR SITUATION SEEMS FUN IN ITS OWN WAY.

EH...?

THERE'S SOMETHING BLURRY THAT LOOKS LIKE HUMAN, ON TOP OF THAT PILLAR...?

I'M THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN DO THIS...

PLUS THE DRAGON WON'T NOTICE ME DUE TO MY INVISIBILITY SCARF...

BUT EVEN THIS DECISION FEELS LIKE SOMETHING THAT'S HAPPENING ACCORDING TO HIS PLAN!

THAT EXPRESSION OF HIS... IT'S LIKE HE KNEW I WAS GOING TO DO THIS!!

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Chapter 175.

Switch With Me!

BLITZ

KRRR

SCRR

IT...IT'S NOT GOING TO MOVE ANYMORE?

WHAT NOW?! ISN'T THERE A WAY WE CAN SOMEHOW TURN EVERYTHING BACK TO BEFORE...?

THERE IS... AN EASY WAY THAT WILL DEFINITELY WORK...!

THA- THAT'S ABSURD!! ISN'T THERE ANY OTHER WAY?! ANOTHER METHOD...

IT'S THE ANNIHILATION OF THE PLAYERS WHO INVADED THE GREAT MOUNTAIN!

THAT WILL DISSIPATE THE SEA GOD'S ANGER, AND IT WILL GO BACK TO ITS DEEP SLUMBER ONCE AGAIN.

IF THERE WERE NO INVADERS, THE SEAL WOULDN'T HAVE BROKE IN THE FIRST PLACE. DO YOU REALLY THINK EVERY-THING WILL JUST TURN BACK WITHOUT SUCH SACRIFICES?

SO, THAT'S IT... THAT METHOD IS A LAST RESORT.

SO THAT WHEN YOU REALIZE YOU CAN'T DEFEAT THE LEVIATHAN, YOU CAN BUY ENOUGH TIME FOR OTHERS TO RETREAT WHILE SACRIFICING THE LIVES OF THE SIX...

IN THE WORST-CASE SCENARIO, THE WATER LEVEL RISES TO THE TOP, AND EVERY PLAYER THAT REACHES THE SUMMIT GETS ANNIHILATED!

AND WE EVEN LOSE THE CHANCE TO GET ON THE ARK...

AND BECAUSE HE KNOWS THIS, HE TOLD US THIS PLAN AND DECIDED NOT TO COOPERATE WITH US!

SO I CAN ONLY ABANDON THESE SIX PEOPLE?!

ISN'T THERE SOME WAY TO SAVE THEM?!

SURE. OF COURSE THERE IS, IF YOU REALLY WANT TO.

REALLY?! SO WHAT SHOULD I DO?!

YOU JUST HAVE TO SWITCH PLACES WITH SOMEONE.

DIDN'T I JUST TELL YOU? YOU CAN'T GAIN ANYTHING WITHOUT A SACRIFICE!

EH?!

NOW... WHOM WILL YOU CHOOSE?

N- NO, THAT'S...

YOU NOW HAVE THE CHANCE AND THE MEANS TO SAVE AT LEAST ONE PERSON!

AND WILL YOU NOW TURN AWAY FROM IT?

DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WANTED TO SAVE THEM? OR ARE YOU CONTEMPLATING WHOM TO CHOOSE?

THA- THAT'S NOT IT...

MICHELLE! YOU DON'T NEED TO DO THIS!

THE CHOICE ISN'T JUST YOURS! WE ALSO HAVE THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE!!

WE UNDERSTAND, AND ACCEPT THIS FATE!! SO YOU GET ON THE ARK SAFELY!!

HOOO...

ROW...

H- HEY... IF IT'S POSSIBLE, CAN'T SHE SWITCH WITH ME? PLEASE?!

HUH, I CAN'T HEAR YOU BE-CAUSE OF THE RAIN...

IGNORE WHAT HE'S SAYING!! YOU SHOULDN'T LISTEN TO WHAT HE SAYS!

HORGARSIA...

WELL, I GUESS I HAVE TO GO WITH THE FLOW THEN?

...

DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT COMING HERE! I WON'T EVER MOVE FROM THIS SPOT!!

EVEN IF SOMEONE ASKS YOU TO SWITCH, JUST IGNORE HIM! I WILL TAKE ALL THE RE-SPONSIBILITY!!

UHH... HOW WILL YOU TAKE RESPONSIBILITY?

E... EVERYONE...

THANK YOU...

IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT...

SHALL I AT LEAST TAKE YOUR KEYS, SINCE YOU WON'T NEED THEM...? I CAN'T POSSIBLY ACCEPT ALL THE KEYS, BUT AT LEAST ONE FROM EACH OF YOU...

DON'T GET SO CONCEITED, YOU WENCH!

HOW BORING!

IF YOU ARE GOING TO BE LIKE THIS, I HAVE NO CHOICE...

I NEVER CONSIDERED LETTING ANYONE GO ALIVE, IN THE FIRST PLACE...

SWITCH WITH ME!

WHAT...?!

YOU... WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?!

LOTTO?!

AH, DON'T MISUNDERSTAND! I WON'T BE GONE TOO LONG!

YOU THINK THAT GUY IS JUST GOING TO STAND BY AND WATCH? THAT'S A LAUGH... HE IS DEFINITELY GOING TO ATTACK US IN THE END!

AND BECAUSE WE NEED TO STAY ON THESE PILLARS, WE WON'T BE ABLE TO EVEN COUNTER-ATTACK PROPERLY!

WHAT'S MORE, MICHELLE CLEARLY DOESN'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO STOP HIM...

...!

IF THAT WERE THE CASE, THEN WOULDN'T IT BE BETTER FOR MICHELLE TO SWITCH WITH SOMEONE WHO CAN TAKE ON THAT *"BAN"*?!

YOU WERE GOING TO TELL HER TO SWITCH WITH SOMEONE, WEREN'T YOU?

AIN'T THAT RIGHT, *"BAN"*?!

IF SO, THEN THERE'S NO ONE HERE BETTER THAN ME!!

LOTTO...?!

JUST HOW DID HE COME UP WITH THAT IDEA...!

FIGHTING FIRE WITH FIRE, AS THEY SAY...

YOU REALLY ARE SOMETHING...!!

YES... THAT'S DEFINITELY A POSSIBILITY.

NOW THEN, I WILL BE THE ONE TO FACE HIM!! I BELIEVE I AM A BETTER CHOICE THAN YOU, LOTTO!

NO! I WILL DO IT!!

C...CAN I TAKE BACK MY WANTING TO SWITCH?

COME HERE!! SWITCH WITH ME!!

HIING~ WHAT AM I SUPPOSED TO DO~?

CLAP

GREAT... HOW SPLENDID. THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME SOMEONE WAS ABLE TO SEE THROUGH MY PLAN TO THIS EXTENT

I COMPLIMENT YOU. YOU EVEN HAD ME FLUSTERED...

CLAP CLAP CLAP

TO THE POINT OF RUINING MY MOOD...

NOW THAT THIS HAS HAPPENED, THERE IS NO NEED TO AGONIZE OVER WHOM TO CHOOSE.

I DON'T REALLY LIKE IT, BUT I GUESS I WILL GO WITH THE FLOW

COME DOWN HERE!!
I CHOOSE YOU, LIKE
YOU WANTED!

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
I DIDN'T REALLY WANT
THIS... I'M ONLY DOING
THIS, BECAUSE I AM THE
ONLY ONE WHO CAN.

SHPOC

YOU HAVE TO WIN AND SWITCH BACK WITH ME, OKAY~?

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!

BECAUSE THE ALMIGHTY LOTTO NEVER LOSES TO ANYONE TWICE!

ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT YOUR BATTLE WITH SLAYAN?

YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT I'M NOT THE SAME PERSON AS WHEN I HAD MY RESTRAINTS ON.

AH... THE SAME GOES FOR ME.

THIS TIME I, TOO, HAVE AN *"UNPREDICTABLE"* ABILITY.

AN EYE FOR AN EYE! A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH! *THIS IS PAYBACK!*

REALLY NOW? PLEASE DON'T DISAPPOINT ME THEN...

PLEASE, LOTTO! I WANT YOU TO KNOCK HIM CLEAN OFF HIS HIGH PERCH!

IF IT WERE THE OLD "IL-BAN", LOTTO MIGHT HAVE A CHANCE OF WINNING, BUT... SOMETHING ABOUT HIM IS DIFFERENT... DON'T UNDERESTIMATE HIM!

KTOFOF

SCHHH

TAF

LET'S ENJOY THIS
THEN, SHALL WE!
THE LOST SAGA'S
LAST BATTLE!!!

BLU

UNN

SHALL WE JUST OBSERVE FOR NOW?

You don't need to ask the obvious.

TO BE CONTINUED.

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